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STREET. WEDNESDAY.....MARCH 18, 1896.

THIS PAPER RECEIVES THE COM-BINED TELEGRAPHIC-NEWS SER-VICE OF THE SOUTHERN ASSOCIA-TED PRESS AND THE UNITED

WHAT IS THE COUNCIL'S PLAN? The City Council is arranging to put forth a defence of its work during the past two years, and from the preparations that it is making we feel sure it will present to the public a very elaborate document.

There are two subjects to which we wish to direct the Council's attention with the suggestion that explanations as to them would be worth more than explanations on any other subjects.

It is stated, and we suppose correctly, that for the last year the deficit in the revenues of the city was \$135,000, an that our floating debt now amounts to about \$400,000. The result of this will be that the city will have to take up its floating debt by issuing bonds. This sort of thing has been going on for many years. The predecessors of the present Council inaugurated this baneful policy, and the present Council has continued

So, for a long time the city of Richmond has been making up the deficits in its annual revenue by the sale of bonds. That this is a very hurtful policy none can deny. It would be defensible to issue bonds to enter upon a general system of street-improvement, and to enlarge our water-works, etc., but though we have issued bond after bond to make up deficits, our streets, instead of being improved, are going down, down. They are now in a werse condition than in many years past. As to our water-works, are notoriously inadequate to supply high points during the summer months. That very soon we shall have to make a large of bonds to enlarge the water-works would seem to admit of no question.

Now what we want to know is this: What plan does the City Council propose to enable the city to live within its annual income, and stop issuing bonds to make up annual deficits?

The City Council is very resentful of criticism; very resentful of interference its schemes by business-men other voters, but why does it not stop all this by publishing the plan of relief that it proposes? The Council should give the public information on this point. If it has a plan to enable the city to live within its income, we feel sure that the tax-paying public will rejoice to see it. And upon the adoption of such a plan the community may hope that before many years have passed we shall feel justified in issuing bonds for permanent improvement of water-works, streets, parks, etc .- for work now very much needed, but for which funds will be never obtainable, except by selling bonds or by levying special taxes. So, in the defence that the City Council proposes to make we do not know how it could do better for itself than by explaining to the public what is its plan for causing our city government to live within its income,

Another thing that it would be well for the City Council to explain is why it thought it necessary to run to the Legislature with a charter amen undermine and overthrow the Board of Public Interests, The Council knows that the Democrats of this city, at the primary held last fall, expressed their satisfaction with our Police Board and our Fire Board. Why, then, did the Council geek to have our city charter so amended as to give it authority to seize power now lodged exclusively in the hands of the Board of Public Interests, and thus threaten the organization of the police force and Fire Department?

This action of the Council's was the beginning of the charter-amendment business. Until then there had been no great clamor for charter amendments. To be sure, many prudent men had seen the necessity for amendments affecting the gusworks and city finances, but it is quite probable that decisive action would not have been taken this year had not the City Council besought the Legislature to strike down the Board of Public Interests. Now, will the Council, in its forthcoming paper, "own up" that it took this action in the face of the primary vote, and that it never once suggested that the charter change that it proposed should be submitted to the people-either to the Democratic people, or to the qualified voters

We shall doubtless see the City Council emning the interference of the Chamber of Commerce in politics, but the Counthat, but for the movement inaugurated the Chamber, the City Council's dment to the charter would have beme a law, with the result of making the Board of Public Interests a nonentity. Yes; let it be remembered that not until the Chamber entered the field with its ndments was there any organized Il to undermine the Board of Pu'Ne

If the City Council deals with these two subjects frankly, candidly, clearly, it will commend itself to the favor of the people. But if it has no plan to prose whereby this city's expenses may be brought withis he income, we do not

see how it can consistently complain of the people seeking to devise a plan for themselves. Of a surety, we shall hever have city bonds with which to enlarge and improve our water-supply, etc., if we have to continue to sell them to meet

vearly deficits. We are not charging the present City Council with inaugurating this pernicious system-to do so would be to pervert history-but, under the present Council the system has reached its climax, almost. So, what we want from the Council is its plan for the betterment of the city government. If it has none to offer, then we submit that it ought not to make itself a stumbling-block in the way of citizens who think they can suggest a system by which the public revenues may be conserved, and by which many needed public improvements may be made.

## THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

President S. H. Hawes, of the Chain ber of Commerce, said, in an interview with him printed in the Dispatch a day or two ago, that the Chamber was trying to increase its membership from 600 to 1,000, and it ought to succeed. There is no question that the Chamber ought to succeed in this effort, and every consileration of public spirit, enterprise, and mu nicipal patriotism demands that it should. Every interest in Richmond that is in the least dependent upon the general progress and prosperity of the city will be benefited just in proportion as the sphere of inluence of the Chamber of Commerce shall be enlarged, and the first step towards ssuring this enlargement is to increase the membership of the organization to the figure named by President Hawes.

The Chamber is already a power for good in the community, and directly or indirectly our merchants, manufacturers, financiers, professional men, contralists, and others are almost every day the beneficiaries of the work it has done and is doing. This fact is not thoroughly appreclated, because, in greater part, the most mportant labor of the Chamber is perormed through committees. The reports of the proceedings of the annual meetings of the Chamber and of the monthly meetings of the directory fall very far short of affording an adequate idea of the work the body is continually doing, or of i's possibilities for future usefulness. The ommittees have numerous details to attend to, of which the general public never hears, but which have a vital bearing upon the problem of preventing discrimi nation against Richmond in various ways, and are potent factors in keeping to the front the advantages of our city as market. If the results of the vigitance and labors of these committees could be summarized, the summary would show that Richmond has been benefited thereby many thousands of dollars, and that there is not an interest in the community that has not in some manner participated in the benefit.

The Chamber of Commerce building is one of the prides of the city. Let the people make the Chamber itself a still greater pride by displaying a practical and substantial recognition of its mis-A thousand or twelve hundred names on the rolls of the Chamber would make it a grand organization that would speak volumes for the push, cooperative spirit, and progressiveness of Richmond. They would make the Chamber in all the phrase implies what it is intended to be, ought to be, and is capable of becoming, and that is the heart of the general business body, from which new energy and new life would continuously pulsate to every member. The additional number of names would not only afford the Chamber the increased moral and financial support it merits, and has but would enable the organization to develop plans for the advancement of The Chamber has done all that is in its these directions is only suggestive of money or Carlisle Democrats, the silver what it would be able to accomplish were its membership a thousand or twelve licans, and the deadlock has been due its membership a thousand or hundred.

# RAILROAD RATES TO REUNION.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: Allow me to thank you for one of "Our Heroes and Our Flags" which I received O. K. yesterday. My wife and myself both think it very nice; we are well pleased with it.

pleased with it.
Will you kindly tell me what the fare Will you kindly tell me what the lar-from Augusta. Ga., to Richmond to the reunion will be? Will the tickets be straight or round-trip? Also state from and to what dates the tickets will be good. Will there be any special rates from Richmond to Philadelphia, Pa., or New York during the reunion; if so, for what dates and for how long will tickets be good and what are the rates? I exwhat dates and to how he good and what are the rates? I expect to visit Richmond during the re-union, therefore I kindly ask the within questions, and hope you will answer them, and by so doing you will oblige a Richmond boy. Yours truly, Lamar, Gs. J. A. J.

Rates have not yet been published, but have been fixed at 1 cent per mile travelled (short line distance) for the round-trip. The distance from Augusta to Richmond being 475 miles, the roundtrip would measure 250 miles, making the fare \$9.50. The dates of sale and limits as to time good have not yet been fixed, but we are expecting all of these

details to be fixed shortly. The present round-trip rates from Richmond are: To New York, by rail, \$17, good for ten days; by water, \$14, including berth and meals; to Baltimore, by rail, \$9, good for five days, and to

Philadelphia, \$13, good for ten days. They have not been published yet, but doubtless lower rates (excursion) will be ssued from here to Washington and thence to Baltimore, Philadelphia, and

ernment is becoming a mighty power here. It is stated upon pretty good authority that in the last week over 1,600 people have joined the league. It is not the purpose of this organization to make any fight for Mayor or any other general offices of the city. They are coing to try The Democratic League for Good Govany fight for Mayor or any other general offices of the city. They are going to try to secure control of the City Council, and unless all political signs fail, they will succeed in doing so. A number of business-men are giving nearly their entire time to organizing the city.—Richmond Letter in the Petersburg Index-Appeal.

The correspondent of the Index-Appeal is well-known here as a man of uncom mon political sagacity, and we know of no one better informed than he is as to city politice. We therefore attach great weight to what he says on this subject.

Ex-Speaker Crisp is a candidate for United States Senator from Georgia, and not only makes no secret of the fact, but all his competitors who do not hold his views on the silver question to meet him before the people and discuss with him what is involved in that question. Mr. Crisp cannot be too highly com mended for his boldness.

\_ Ballard Smith insists that Yale has made a mistake in deciding to send a erew over to Henley this season. He opines that they are bound to get

DISTRICT-SCHOOL TAX CASE. The contention of Senator Withers rarding the effect of the decision of the Supreme Court of Appeals in the case of the New York, Philadelphia, and Norfolk railroad against the Supervisors of Northampton county, referred to in yesterday's Dispatch, is that it relieves every railroad, telegraph, telephone, and canal company in the State from payment of district-school taxes.

The decision does not, however, affect the State- and county-taxes for school purposes levied against railroads and similiar corporations. Nevertheless, it is a serious matter that the General Assembly did not remedy the defect in the law under which the decision was rendered.

Mr. Withers states that the loss by the decision to the district-school fund of Pittsylvania is nearly a thousand dollars. Taking this as a basis of calculation, it will be seen that the aggregate loss to the district-school fund of the State will amount to a good, round figure Delegate E. W. Saunders, of Franklin a letter to the Dispatch, states that the total loss of revenue to the school districts of Virginia will be somewhere between \$50,000 and \$75,000 per What is more, Mr. Saunders Legislature to pass an act which would have cured the defective law, and saved the school fund the loss that it must now suffer for the next two years, unless an extra session should be held

## CARLISLE WILL BE OUT.

The northern papers have it that President Cleveland will soon speak on the third-term question in a manner that will be satisfactory to the public, and that then Mr. Carlisle will announce himself as a candidate for the presidency, and will receive the support of the administra-

There is no great rush after our nomination this year, and we suppose if the administration forces go to work for Carlisle they can push him to the front; but it will take a two-thirds vote to nominate, and the free-silver men haven't much affection for Carlisle. There he may find a stumbling block in his way,

Another thing that may be an obstruction to Carlisle's ambition is the divided ondition of our party in Kentucky. Rightly or wrongly Carlisle is blamed a good deal for this division. Blackburn and Carlisle are the two men blamed

We do not set these things down in malice towards Mr. Carliele, but only to show that even with the administration at his back he may not have a "walk over" at Chicago.

As for the "Olney boom," Mr. Cleveland seems to have gotten fretted about it, and no doubt it was untimely brought forth, but it is an inconsequential if not ridiculous affair. The Democratic party will not for the present look to Massa chusetts to furnish it with a presidential candidate, particularly when we may have Carlisle, Morrison, Campbell, Matthews, and possibly Whitney to choose

## THE KENTUCKY MUDDLE.

If we except the period of carpet-bag governments in the South, which were no governments at all in contemplation of the Constitution, we will probably have to go back to the time of the Thad Stevens double Legislature in Pennsylvania to find anything like a parallel for the scenes that marked the last two days of the existence of the Kentucky Legislature. After a long and bitter senatorial contest, during the last forty-eight hours, a right to expect from the community, of which the Capitol was under bayonet "protection," in order, as the Governor declared, to prevent intimidation of mem-Richmond that cannot be satisfactorily bers and riot and bloodshed, the body developed with its present membership, yesterday adjourned sine die without electing a successor to Senator Blackpower lay to build up and advertise our | burn. The fight has been a three-cornered city, but what it has accomplished in one, the parties thereto being the soundlargely to the obstruction tactics of the first-named faction in antagonizing Senator Blackburn's re-election. The press dispatches report Senator Blackburn as satisfied with the result, as he accomplished all he expected. The meaning of this is that he had determined that if he could not secure his own re-election he would prevent the election of any one else. .

> There is no longer any obstacle in the way of the great railroad-bridge across the Hudson river. Secretary-of-War Daniel S. Lamont has approved all the plans for the bridge, as well as the location selected by the commissioners of the bridge and the sinking-fund commissioners of New York. This company now has the right to

> construct the greatest railroad-bridge and terminals ever built in this country, The bridge will carry six railroad tracks, and it is not to cost more than \$25,000,000. The total cost of bridge, approaches, and stations is guaranteed to be within \$50,000,000 Its New York approaches will begin at Eighth avenue, between Forty-ninth and Fifty-first streets, Fiftieth street passing under the middle of the terminal station without obstruction. It will be a surpension bridge. The towers are to be of steel, each 557 feet in height. The towers will be 3,110 feet apart, leaving the navigation of the Hudson river entirely unobstructed.

It is as natural for a Republican Governor of a Southern State to resort to force as for an article to fall from the hand by virtue of the law of gravi-The Republican party is the party of force and violence.

By the way, wasn't it Weyler who proposed to put down the Cuban uprising in six weeks?

All the cenators pronounce it "Wyler." Senor Dupuy de Lome says it is With the witching magic of her slender "Way-ler."

#### Senator Hale and the World's Latest Fake.

(Washington Post.) It was quite on the cards that the New York World would insist upon the authenticity of its alleged special communication from the Spanish Premier, Canovas del Castillo. The World always does insist. When, a few years ago, it published a pretended interview with the illustrious Italian astronomer, Chiaparelli, it continued to swear by that impudent and monstrous fabrication, long after its dishonesty had been exposed. We

therefore, not surprised to find Mr. Pu-litzer's paper vehemently asserting the genuineness of the Canovas utterance. genuineness of the Canovas utterance, and savagely abusing the New York Sun, which has challenged and denounced it. Senator Hale's predicament in this connection, however, must be viewed with the tenderest and most affectionate solicitude. It will be remembered that he made the Canovas proclamation the basis of his most meilifluous and eloquent appeal for delay in the matter of the Cuban resolutions. He accepted it without hesitation, recognized its authenticity, praised the World's enterprise in tones thrice

melted in emotion, and penetrating as the voice of Eolus fluttering a silver cord. He asked us how we could bring ourselves to persist in the face of a declaration so mild, so just, so conservative, so benevolent, coming directly from the Spanish Premier through the medium of Mr. Joseph Pulitzer. He planted himself tearfully, yet confidently, upon the World's certificate of authenticity, and reproached an angry generation for its wicked heat. Surely, pending the definite and final adjustment of this issue of veracity, Senator Hale must continue to be an object of truly anxious sympathy. If it should turn out that for once in a way the World has told the truth, he will, of course, escape with the mere reprimand of public opinion as the champion of a mistaken and unworthy and unsuccessful cause. But if—as is much more likely—the Canovas dispatch should turn out to be a fake, then the suave and gifted Senator from Maine will need all our sorrow and all our tears.

#### SPREAD OF HYDROPHOBIA.

#### British Medical Journals Urging the

Strict Enforcement of Muzzling. The prevalence of rables gives a timely interest to an article on the diagnosis of this disease, which appears in the new quarterly number of the British Journal of Comparative Pathology and Therapeu tics. The article illustrates "the general ignorance of the lay public regarding the symptoms of rables in the dog," by reference to a fatal case of hydrophobia in the human subject which recently occur-red at Croydon.

dog, a fox-terrier, suddenly, with The dog, a fox-terrier, suddenly, without the slightest provocation, bit his master in the left hand. The animal was
taken away and chained up, but escaped
and bit a girl in the hand, and then returned to its own home and bit a boy in
the leg. At this stage a veterinary surgeon was called in, who promptly recognized that the dog was rabid and had it
destroyed. The owner, however, refused
to believe that the animal was anything
more than habitually vicious, and, though
he had his hand dressed by his medical
attendant, he declined to go to Paris for
the Pasteur treatment.

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Meanwhile the dog's brain was sent to
the Royal Veterinary College, and, as the
result of experimental inoculation of rabbits, Professor McFadyean was able in less than three weeks to confirm the di-agnosis, and immediately telegraphed to Croydon. Even then, however, the mar whom the dog had bitten could not be induced to undergo the Pasteur operation induced to undergo the Pasteur operation. He continued in apparent health for six weeks after he received the bite, when he experience a feeling which he regarded as the premonitory symptom of an attack of influenza. The next day he found difficulty in swallowing; his medical attendant pronounced him to be suffering from hydrophobia, and death followed in six days:

In discussing this paintin case it is argued that there was little room for doubt that the dog was decidedly rabid on the day before he bit his master, who had observed that the animal displayed an unusual desire to attack other dogs when taken out for a walk. In all probability rables would have been detected at this stage had a veterinary opinion been this stage had a veterinary opinion been sought. The article concludes: "From other cases that have been brought under our notice we know that the full importance to which it is entitled is not always attached to the fact that a dog not previously victous has developed a marked propersity to hite other animals of his propensity to bite other animals of his

viously victous has developed a marked propensity to bite other animals of his own species, or has bitten his master or some other person without provocation. In every such case it is safe to consider the dog rabid, at least to the extent of taking the most absolute precautions against his doing further mischief."

An article in Nature dealing with the subject refers to the new muzzling order, which came into operation a week ago, as "undoubtedly a step in the right direction." It is added, however, that from the experience of the Berlin authorities, we cannot expect to stamp out the disease even in London so long as Middlesex, Surrey, and the surrounding counties of Essex, Sursex, and Hampshire return cases of rabies, and any one of them falls to enforce a muzzling order. In Berlin, up to July, 1853, there was no muzzling order, and in 1852 there were 107 cases of rabies reported, and up to July, 1853, & cases. After this there was a marked decline, but so long as the law was merely municipal the disease had still to be reckoned with. But since the Animals' Disease. be reckoned with. But since the Animals' Diseases Acts of 1875 and 1880 (relating to the whole of Prussia) were passed the disease has become rare, and only occurs along the frontiers of France and Russia. Mr. George R. Krehl, kennel editor of the Stock-Keeper, says there is an im-pression that no fund exists for sending pression that no fund exists for sending poor people, when bitten by rabid dogs, to the Pasteur Institute in Paris. The Mansion House Pasteur Fund Committee in 1888 collected a large sum for this purpose. Already a hundred poor people have had their expenses paid, and a few hundred pounds still remain. Poor people who may be bitten should apply to the director of the British Institute of Preventive Medicine, No. 101 Great Russell street, W. C.

## Colonel Lamb's War Bulletins.

(Alexandria Gazette.) (Alexandria Gazette.)

The simple fact that Colonel Lamb, under his own name, has written and published the following words to two of the men he has appointed as chairman of the Republican Committee of Richmond, in relation to a fight in his own party, shows plainly enough to all but the members of his faction that he is not the right man in the right place as not the right man in the right place, as the leader of his party: "No man with true Irish blood in his veins will be bulldozed by an Englishman"—alluding to General Edgar Allan, who was a Re-publican long before Colonel Lamb de-serted the Democrats, and "Nail the Re-publican colors to the mast head, lash yourself to the roundtop, never mind the deserters." No such wind would have ever emanated from General Mahone,

#### The Late Dr. W. P. Palmer. New Birmingham, Tex., March 12, 1896.

To the Editor of the Dispatch: Thirty-one years ago the 1st of last October John R. Thompson, Richard S. Mapie, James Temple Brander, and Dr. W. P. Palmer were my groomsmen, when the late T. V. Moore, D. D. united me in marriage with Alice Fleming Craile. They are all gone, and I "alone am left." THOMAS WARD WHITE.

# The Out-Door Girl.

(James Buckham, in Harper's Bazar.) Dainty as a sunbeam, royal as a rose, How the Out-door Maiden in her beauty Eyes like morning dewdrops; cheeks like

evening fire; Voice like liquid rapture of the sunrise

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Juno in her charlot drawn by peacocks Aphrodite rising cloudlike from the sses outrivalled! Now the poets

kneel To the charm of Beauty pedalling a

Womanhood supernal-beauty at its height— Hall the Out-door Maiden, vision of de-light! Spin, and flash, and glitter, steed of burnished thews;
Thus through woman's life-blood God
the race renews!

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